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## Townspeople Honor Departing Supt.

### CLIFFORD GOOD SURPRISED 99.9%

About 250 friends of Clifford Good, departing Superintendent of Schools of Wilmington achieved a 99.9 percent surprise, Saturday evening, when they had a banquet and farewell party in his honor in the High School cafeteria. Good told his friends that the surprise wasn't quite 100% for two reasons, the first being that he had been unable to make any engagements for Saturday evening, and the second being that the caterer had come to his home at 6 p.m., looking for the key for the cafeteria.

The party, which began at 7:30 p.m. was ably MC'd by Harold Driscoll, the sub-Master of the High School. Mr. Driscoll was able to keep the party "in stitches" during the entire proceedings, by use of his subtle humor.

Speakers who extolled the departing Superintendent were Larz Neilson; Miss Irene Sharp, president of the Teachers Club; the Rev. Father Croke of St. Thomas; TM Joseph Courtney; the Rev. Father Leahy of St. Dorothy's; Jerry Lynch, Superintendent of Schools of Burlington; the Rev. Richard Harding, of the Methodist Church, Chairman Warren Willis of the School Committee and John Collins, incoming Superintendent of Schools. Mrs. Lana Eames was thanked by the MC for the floral display on the head table, from her garden.

Nicholas DeFelice, Commonwealth avenue, chairman of arrangements, presented Good with a fine movie camera which had been bought as a "going-away present," saying that Good had taken a lot of pictures of the Wilmington Schools, and now he should take some of the town that he was leaving.

Good delivered a short talk, which was of course entirely extemporaneous, but indicative of the man. "My first visits in Wilmington were to the Clergymen, for we educators have much in common with the gentlemen of the cloth. I found them to be very co-operative, indeed, I have never found any of them to be otherwise. My first speech was in the Rotary Club of Wilmington, and here I found that Wilmington's business men are fully appreciative of the problems of education in a town like ours—it was all very encouraging, and I found that the children of Wilmington were very well behaved, well dressed, and then I knew that the people of Wil-

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If someone should say to you, "AW, GO DRINK A BANANA," you can oblige him by going over to Ray Ashworth's Sunnyhurst Ice Cream stand at 144 Lowell street in Wilmington.

This drink was launched back in 1945 by a couple in the soft drink business at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. This couple became quite popular down that way with this drink. There was only one holdback. The whole banana that was put into this drink, had to be mashed in a cup with a kitchen fork, and that slowed up the service. Having come a long way with this method, they discovered a little machine called, The Waring Blender. This machine mixed up the entire drink in 20 seconds. With this, the couple moved back to their home state, (Mass.) and are now distributing their drink out on franchise.

DRINK-A-BANANA comes in a full 16 ounce cup, and is a delicious bit to be quaffed. It is also titillating to see this drink made before your eyes with the dextrous technique of lovely Shirley Sutton, an employee of Sunnyhurst. Ray Ashworth is proud to say, that he has had 12 successful years in business in Wilmington. Ray is also opening up a retail candy store next to his place on Lowell street. The candy is delicious. . . . Why? Because of its home-made goodness.

### BOUTWELL STREET APPEAL DISAPPROVED

The Wilmington Board of Appeals has disapproved an appeal from Alton Pierce, over a lot of land on Boutwell street. Pierce wants to build on a three acre plot of land, which has only 74 feet frontage on Boutwell street. The appeal was heard on August 11th.

### ALUMNI GAME SEPT. 19th

The annual Alumni-Varsity game of Wilmington High School has been scheduled for September 19th, at the Wilmington Town Memorial Park.

### MISS MARY WOODCOCK

Miss Mary Woodcock, a sister of Mrs. George Hathaway of Salem street, died last Saturday at the Hathaway home, after a brief illness. She had been making her home in Belleville, Ontario, but was a frequent visitor to Wilmington.

Surviving are four sisters, Miss Ida M. Woodcock and Miss Loretta Woodcock living in Canada; Mrs. George Hathaway, and Miss Gertrude Woodcock of Washington, D. C., and her step-mother, Mrs. Joseph Woodcock, of Washington, D. C.

A Solemn High Mass of Requiem was held in St. Thomas Church at 9 a.m. today, with burial in the family lot in Wildwood cemetery. Funeral services were in charge of the McMahon funeral home.

**LOOK For The WAREHOUSE**  
Furniture Store Ad  
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### BUILDING AND REAL ESTATE ACTIVITY CONTINUE ON PAR WITH LAST YEAR

Wilmington's real estate boom shows no sign of any recession, according to the last survey by the Suffolk First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Boston, issued yesterday.

In the first seven months of 1953, Wilmington had had 265 real estate transfers, and permits for 106 new dwellings. The figures for the first seven months of this year are 313 real estate transfers, and permits for 102 new dwellings.

Wilmington stands in sixth place, for towns of 10,000 population and under, in the suburban Boston district, being led by Hull, Holbrook, Hamilton, Topsfield and Sharon. Following were Norwell, Avon, Manchester and Wayland. Wilmington's median was 7.56, and the median for 37 smaller towns was 5.86. Of nearby towns, Burlington had 7.01; Billerica, 5.59; No. Reading 4.30; Reading 3.24 and Woburn 3.80.

### ST. THOMAS NEWS

Masses: 7:15, 8:30, 10:30 and 11:30.

Week-day Masses at 8 a.m.

Confessions: Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

First Friday Masses 6:00 and 8:00 a.m.

Holy Communion: 7:30 a.m.

Sacred Heart Devotions: 7:45 p.m.

Our Lady of Fatima Devotions at 7:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m. and 7:45 p.m. on Saturdays.

On Sunday afternoon a cavalcade of one bus and eight private cars journeyed to Our Lady of La Salette Shrine, at Ipswich. At the shrine they joined with the Lawrence area in an estimated ten thousand group of pilgrims. Accompanying the pastor, Father Croker were Mrs. Mary Biggar, and Messrs Edward Shelley and Al McMullin, who were in charge of arrangements.

The parish, this week, was the beneficiary of two sets of vestments, gifts of the Sunday School. They were presented by Mrs. Wilfred Babine and Mrs. John Hartnett. One set is white, with a beautiful Eucharistic pattern on the back of the chasuble, and the second set, made especially for Lent, is purple. They are the handiwork of the Sisters of Notre Dame at Emmanuel College in Boston.

A monthly Mass for the beneficiaries was celebrated at 8:00 a.m., Monday.

The parishioners are asked to remember the Archbishop on his birthday, August 24th, with prayers and messages.

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## CHAIRMAN WILLIS RESIGNS FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE

### WILMINGTON POST 136 AMERICAN LEGION AT DEDICATION OF NEW BRIDGE IN BOSTON

Wilmington Post 136, American Legion, commanded by Arthur B. Harper, had a fine representative color guard at the dedication of the Andrew F. McArdle Bridge, in Boston, on August 22nd. The color guard was commanded by Commander Harper, and others present from Wilmington included Vice Commander Nicholas De Felice, Post Adjutant, Post Adjutant Harold P. Lennerton, Stg. at Arms, Jack Crawford and Commander Louie Elfman and Alexander Moore. The Legion Auxiliary was represented by Mrs. Alexander Moore, president-elect, and Mrs. Nicholas De Felice, vice president elect.

Director of Ceremonies was Gabriel T. Oiga, Department Vice Commander, and the principal address was by His Excellency, Christian A. Herter, Governor of Massachusetts.

### ST. DOROTHY'S NEWS

Masses at Silver Lake Betterment Hall at 9:00 and 11:00.

Masses at St. Mary's at 7:00, 8:30 and 11:00.

Confessions at Silver Lake Saturday at 2:30 p.m., at St. Mary's 4:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturdays.

Miraculous Medal Novena every Monday evening at 7:45 at St. Mary's.

Baptisms every Sunday at 2 p.m. at the St. Thomas Rectory.

Events for September will take place on the 9th, 16th and the 23rd; sponsors to be given next week; dates are subject to changes.

Mrs. John Baldwin of Faulkner avenue and committee are expecting many friends and parishioners to attend the card party at the Silver Lake Betterment Hall this Friday night in aid of the building fund.

Plans for the Bazaar which is to be held October 8 and 9 at the Silver Lake Betterment hall is keeping many of the ladies of the parish busy shopping and making articles for sale. Rev. Joseph Leahy is general chairman with a large committee of workers from South Tewksbury and Wilmington very anxious to help.

Due to unforeseen circumstances the "family field day" which was to take place over Labor Day week-end has been postponed for this year.

The choir and altar boys of St. Dorothy's parish are to have an outing next Sunday afternoon, August 29. A bus will leave from St. Mary's Chapel, Vernon street, South Tewksbury at one o'clock.

Warren Willis, Chairman of the Wilmington School Committee has written a letter of resignation from that committee, effective September first. Mr. Willis, who has been transferred to Springfield by the company for which he works submitted his resignation to the Town Clerk, Mrs. Mary Gilligan, and another letter to Arthur G. Lynch, Secretary of the School Committee on Monday. The letter to Mrs. Gilligan read: Town Clerk, Town of Wilmington, Mass.

Dear Madam:

This is to notify you that effective September 1st, 1954 I am resigning as an elected member of the School Committee of the Town of Wilmington. This advance notification is to enable the proper authorities, if they deem it necessary, to appoint some one to fill my unexpired term.

Yours very truly,

Warren G. Willis,

Chairman, Wilmington School Committee.

Mr. Willis, who is Claims Examiner or a large insurance company is a native of Wilmington, was educated in the Wilmington schools, and was first elected to the School Committee in 1952.

### HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PHYSICALS MONDAY

All candidates for the 1954 squad of Wilmington High School, for their physical examination, next Monday, morning at 9. Practice is expected to start about the first of September.

### VISITING PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ward and son, Edward, spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ward and Mr. and Mrs. Chelsea Davis, of Silver Lake. A cook-out was held for the couple Saturday evening, with many of their friends in attendance.

Accompanying the couple to Wilmington were Mr. and Mrs. Bates. Mr. Bates is a shipmate of Mr. Ward's, in the US Navy, with both men being stationed at Indian Head, Maryland.

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## TOWN NOTES

### WEATHER

Corn, blueberries, tomatoes and elderberries. Down on the cape the mackerel are running. Everything is wonderful, even the weather, which has been cool. There was a total of .05 inches of rainfall during the past week, on August 20th.

### TOMATOES

If you are a back yard gardener and you haven't been spraying your tomatoes with Bordeaux powder or spray, it is time to get busy. Our new residents, who have never had a back yard garden before should be warned that a cool rainy August generally induces the "Tomato Blight". The plants shrivel up and die, under the influences of the blight. Hot weather is good for tomatoes, as was evidenced last year when there wasn't a sign of the blight in town (we had a hot August, as you may remember).

The best time to put on the Bordeaux mixture, which is basically copper, is in the early evening, after the dew has formed on the plants. Once a week is sufficient.

### CONCORD STREET

We have two items about Concord street this week. The first concerns the water extensions. When the probable costs for this street were figured, it was on a basis of digging through sand and gravel, which is estimated to cost \$5 a foot. When the Water Department digs through rock the cost goes up to \$6 a foot. There was much consternation when the Department started, for the first 100 feet was a case of blasting all the way, and the boys could just visualize the costs soaring up.

Since then, however, digging has been much better, with only a few rocks, and it now appears that the estimated cost will be the actual cost.

The other item concerns the proposed prefabricated homes to be built along Concord street. Some of the residents of that street are really up in arms about it, and threatening to sell out and move away.

### SILAS BUCK

Who was Silas Buck? We never heard the name before, until there was a short item in Aug. 14th's Boston Traveler, which reported that the first Wilmington Post Office was opened on August 14, 1854, and that Silas Buck was the first Postmaster.

The postoffice, we believe, was in the railway station, which at that time was opposite the site occupied by the Wilmington Cleaners and Dyers shop, on Main street.

As to Silas Buck. We have

searched and searched, but found not one reference to the gentleman. He apparently was not born in Wilmington, never got married here, and didn't die here either. Does anyone know anything about him?

### LOAM

Caleb Harriman, the gentleman who ran the tannery in North Wilmington for so many years, used the old Cadwallader Ford farm to dispose of waste materials from his tannery. Animal residue, left over from the hides, is a wonderful fertilizer, and with an application of phosphates is just as good as anything that can be bought commercially.

Caleb used to spread the residue over the farm lands and plow it in. He did this for many years. He used to grow very fine potatoes on the farm, and every Oct. 12th, on Columbus Day everybody in the tannery would go up to the farm, to help gather the spuds. His crops were very good, we are told.

Now that Signore is pushing aside the loam for his new housing development we took a little time Sunday to look over the loam there. It was everything that a farmer could desire. Rich, and deep. (We also looked for Indian Arrowheads, not expecting to find any. We were not disappointed).

### ANT LIONS

We always believed that Ant Lions never ventured further than Cape Cod. They are the insects that look like dragonflies, only smaller. In the immature state they resemble certain species of lice, and live in the ground, at the bottom of a small depression that they make for themselves. The depression is so made that any inquisitive ant, or other insect that ventures too close will fall in, and be devoured by the waiting Ant Lion, which cannot be seen, but is just below the surface, at the bottom of the inverted cone.

Two years ago we were called by Leslie Durkee, of Salem street, when he discovered some of these creatures near his garage.

Now we have another place, in Wilmington, in which the Ant Lion can be found - right in the flower garden beside the home of Selectman Charles Black.

### THE PEARSON TAVERN

North Wilmington residents are puzzled by events at the Pearson Tavern, now owned by a real estate company.

First a number of house lots were laid out by surveyors, and in such a manner that some people thought the tavern was going to be pulled down.

Now the field in back, about five acres has been plowed, apparently

ready for fall planting, and it would appear that there are not going to be any house lots there.

### NO CHARGE. THANK YOU

Dr. Fagan has a dog that takes his duties as a Physician's Hound seriously. He goes to call on Elsie Cail, every day, and finds Ernie, no matter where he is. Ernie is laid up with a broken leg, and after the dog has expressed his canine sympathy, he leaves, without any charge for the call!

### FISHING

A number of Wilmingtonites have been visiting the sea coast in expectation of running into good fishing, now that Mackerel time is here. Most of them have been disappointed.

The Fire Department went down last Friday, to Gloucester, with the usual luck as far as Mackerel is concerned, but with good luck otherwise. Largest fish caught was a 15 pound cusk, by Fireman Freddy Kleynan.

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

The Wilmington School Committee, last week, appointed two new teachers to the high school teaching staff. Miss Nancy J. Kelley of Medford was appointed teacher in English, French and Latin. A graduate of Regents College, Miss Kelley was employed by the United States Department of State for two years, as a linguist.

William Dwyer of Lowell, a graduate of Merrimack College was appointed to teach General Science, Mathematics and Algebra.

### Head Cooks

On the recommendation of Clifford Good, Mrs. Marjorie Walsh of Aldrich road, and Mrs. Mae Welling of Fay street were appointed head cooks, of the cafeteria, at a salary of \$1,400 a year. The appointments were conditional, for a trial period.

Miss Barbara Boylan of Williams avenue and Mrs. Bertha Merrill of Chestnut street were appointed as cooks, on the same basis, and at a salary of \$1200. a year.

### Janitors

The committee spent quite a bit of time discussing janitor arrangements for the Wildwood school and the high school. It was the consensus of opinion that a third man would be needed, to assist the janitors of these two schools, alternating between them.

### Purchasing

Clifford Good told the committee that he and John Collins, the new Superintendent had talked over purchasing methods, with the T.M. Joseph Courtney. As a result the School Department will no longer issue its own purchase orders, but will make a requisition on the Town Manager, in order that the department confirm with the new purchasing system. It was emphasized that the "2% off for cash" will not apply to school department bills, as all bills are net.

Good told the committee that this would probably mean expanding the present Remington Rand bookkeeping system by the addition of an "Emcumbrance system." Arthur V. Lynch pointed out that the bills would still have to come to the School Committee, for signatures, in order to be paid, and a question was raised as to the type of requisition blank to be used, a question which was settled by a decision to have School Department requisition forms, in order that the department have a numbered record of orders.

### School Names

Mr. Lynch referred to a letter which had appeared in the Crusader, which suggested that the new Wildwood school be named for one of Wilmington's teachers. He stated that he had been giving some thought to the question of Wilmington's schools and their names. Four of them were named for individuals, four were known by their location or some such system, and the High School was called, properly, he believed, the 'High School.'

The old high school, which is now called the Junior High School was the subject of Mr. Lynch's talk. He pointed out that it was not really a Junior High School, and that it probably should be called something else. This led to a long discussion, in which it was pointed out by Ernest Crispo that there is always a lot of controversy if a school is to be named, and to

which Lynch stated that the controversy is over, once the school is named. He thought consideration should be given to naming all of the four grade schools which are not now named for some person. The discussion was finished by Eleanor Grimes when she said, "Let's give some thought to it."

### Letter

A letter was read by Mr. Lynch, the secretary, from Dr. Chernoff, Optometrist in Wilmington Square. The letter requested consideration by the board, in the future, when the time came to appoint an optometrist for the Wilmington Public schools. Dr. Chernoff pointed out that his practice and residence is in Wilmington.

The letter led to some discussion about the contract now held by Dr. Adams of Woburn, and the committee was in agreement that it "has a moral agreement for another year."

John Hartnett pointed out that, "If we had a Latin teacher we would not fire her just because another one was living in Wilmington," and Arthur Lynch stated: "It has been the long established practice of this committee to do business with local merchants. I don't know the ethics of Optometry, but when we hired Adams we had no optometrist in Wilmington. Now we have one, and I feel we should use him."

John Collins asked about examinations of pupils eyes, and was told by Clifford Good that "my agreement with Dr. Adams is that he shall examine the children in the odd grades every year, and the children in the even grades are examined by their teachers, and any case that seems to need attention is then referred to Dr. Adams. We don't even use his forms—we use State forms so that no form of business solicitation appeared."

### THE GOVERNORS DAY

Much was written about Mrs. Catherine Howard's shoes at the last Republican National Convention, but Governor Herter's footwear at the recent Labor Convention apparently escaped notice.

It seems that the only exit from the Governor's island camp in Maine is by a small, open boat. Since it was teeming rain that morning when Governor Herter left for the Worcester meeting, it was necessary

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### TOWN OF WILMINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing at 9:00 p.m. on August 30, 1954, in the Town Hall, Wilmington, on the application of the Hayden Mica Company, Main street, to store 9900 gallons of fuel oil in an underground tank on their property.

Henry J. Lawler, Chairman  
Board of Selectmen

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mington were of the same caliber.

In my speech at the Rotary Club I stated that Education today is not as well understood as it should be. I told the Rotarians that Education is set by the Chairman and School Committee, and the public officials at large, who set the examples that we must follow. A formal education without good supervision at home, and a Christian spirit in the church is nothing. We are all in this together, to give our children more than we had, and better opportunities.

What we have done here in three years had to be done. We were faced with great problems of a growing population—everything had to be looked into—housing—books—everything. If it were not for our community leaders and our clergymen we could not have done what we have done—our homes, our teachers, our school committee—all have helped. I take no credit, for it all was a joint effort.

Jerry Lynch has thanked me for the help I gave him. May I say that he has helped a lot, and shown a true spirit of cooperation. For John Collins, our new Superintendent, he can take a justifiable pride in the people of this town, for there is a definite pattern in this town—a pattern constructive in nature, and far reaching in effect.

This is not a testimonial—it is a gathering of friends. John Collins is a capable man—we are not here to say goodbye, for I will see you all again from time to time. I want to thank the School Committee for their fine support during the past three years. It wasn't as easy getting in as it was leaving. I shall miss all the teachers, I have a high regard for them—the pattern has been set—much has been done for nothing is static, and much more will have to be done, but the pattern is set.

Last of all, I wish to pay tribute to Mrs. Good, who has had to listen long and often to me. She has been my true help mate.

BOARD OF APPEALS  
HAS THREE HEARINGS

The Board of Appeals held three separate hearings in the Town Hall August 17 rejecting one request, and holding decision on the other two for further consideration.

A public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on a proposed twenty homes on Concord street, of pre-fabricated construction found seven applicants present, and no one to support the proposal. The Board did not make any decision last night, on the proposal.

A public hearing at 8:30 p.m. for a two family home on Middlesex avenue and High street, in North Wilmington was attended by eight interested persons,

in addition to the proponent, Mr. Charles Bowman. Mr. Bowman told the Board that he wanted to build a "duplex" ranch house, on a lot of over 25 thousand square feet, for the use of his family, and his mother.

Five abutments spoke in favor of the proposal, and one spoke against it, saying that it was a violation of the Zoning Laws, and that a two family house should not be allowed there. Two other abutments said nothing. No decision was announced by the Board.

The third hearing, at 9 p.m. was to consider a proposal for locating a private garage, on the Bouvier property at the corner of Shady Lane Drive and Middlesex avenue closer to the street than the law allows. This proposal was turned down by the Planning Board, who advised Mr. Bouvier, the only person present, to develop a plan to locate the garage elsewhere on his property.

THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
Tax Bills

The Selectmen's meeting, Monday evening opened with TM Courtney reporting that he had prepared his statement to be enclosed with the tax bills. The statement consisted of a comparison of the 1953 and 1954 tax rate. For 1953 Assessed valuation was shown at \$10,268,876, and for 1954 \$11,723,850. Amount to be raised by property tax in 1953 \$472,368.29, and 1954 \$668,259.45. Tax Rate 1953 \$46.00, 1954 \$57.00.

Comparison of School and Town Share of Tax Rate, which has been the subject of conferences during the past fifty days showed 1953 Schools \$12.88, Town \$33.12, total \$46.00. 1954 Schools \$23.83, Town \$33.17, total \$57.00.

## Personnel Policy

The Board discussed for some time policies concerning personnel with reference to one particular department which has had a lot of overtime work during the past two months. Town Accountant Robert Peters was present, as he wanted some authorization before paying overtime. He told the Town Manager that employees of the town on a regular salary, (as against employees hired by the hour) do not get overtime pay, to which statement Selectman Charles H. Black said "I go along with that."

The TM pointed out that the town does not seem to have ever had a policy on personnel. Black continued: "Days off doesn't help. Working for ham and eggs, and secondly it is against the wages and hours law." He suggested that the TM authorize the payment of the overtime, by a memo to the Accountant, and Selectman E. Hayward Bliss suggested that the TM work out a personnel policy, "in black and white", "so we know where we stand."

A final conversation between TM Courtney and the Accountant found them in agreement when the Town Manager stated that "there is no real vacation policy here, other than the state law, which really should be a 'floor.' We have no recognition of seniority, in our vacations. A person who has worked for the town for 12 years is in the same position as a person who has been here 38 weeks."

**Town Manager's Report**  
Courtney reported that the Building Inspector is taking the first steps towards condemning the building in which the Economy Grocery Store is located, and also the rear section of the "White" home, where the Shoecraft shop was formerly located.

**Streets**  
The use of Chapter 81 funds for straightening street curves this year is uncertain until after Labor Day and the completion of streets

now scheduled. Chapter 90 Construction will start shortly after Labor Day, on Salem street, with the goal this year being to bring the work as far as Woburn street. Final approval is still being awaited for Eames street. As soon as received, the work will start. The section on the other side of the bridge will not be finished this year, but will be widened and graveled after the tree stumps are removed.

The culvert on West street, close to Suncrest avenue will be completely installed within three weeks. A temporary stake fence will be set up until that time.

About 900 feet of Faulkner avenue, between Glen road and Cedar road is to be graveled and prepared for oil penetration this week. The Superintendent of Streets reports that Essex street is in good condition, except for dust characteristic of graveled roads during summer months. Bushes at the corner of Salem and Woburn streets will be cut back this week, and the hole on the bridge crossing at Jenk's Bridge will be filled with cold patch. It was the TM's opinion that the hole had been caused by fishermen who kicked and scuffed, while awaiting bites.

Gravel is to be placed this week at the corner of Warren road and Wightman road, to fill a large hole there. The hole at the corner of Middlesex avenue and Adams streets has been filled with a pea gravel mix. Bushes blocking vision at King street and Glen road will be cut back this week. Requests from residents of Fay street to complete the improvement of the road cannot be met this year because of insufficient funds. The unfinished section will have some gravel laid to fill in the holes. Roosevelt road, an accepted street, was inspected by the Town Manager and the Superintendent of Streets during the past week. The TM reported it would be enormously expensive to improve.

## Traffic

Unanticipated difficulties involving the state permit for the traffic light at the corner of Woburn and Lowell streets have slowed down efforts to correct the situation. Installation of right angle turns may require an expensive change in the lights. The TM reported that a full cost estimate will be reviewed before any final decision is made. He also reported that Mrs. Gilligan, the Town Clerk, has not yet received the original permit for the light, from the state.

A full report is expected this week from the Superintendent of

Streets on traffic signs in Wilmington. The report is expected to include cost estimates.

## Dump

The TM reported that the bounds of the Town Dump will be re-established this week. They were covered during the 1953 Chapter 90 Construction on Salem road. He intends to find the cost of a gate, for the Town Dump, and after the new layout has been completed, including the installation of the gate, work will start on a building for the custodian of the dump.

## Board of Review

The TM has set Thursday afternoon at 3:30 for the meeting time of the Town Manager and Department heads, to review applications for Building and Occupancy permits, and Sub-division approvals. This is to formalize his "check list" procedure, the TM explained.

## Wildwood School Custodian

Bernard McDonough, of Miller road has been appointed Custodian of the new Wildwood School. Mr. McDonough has been the custodian of the Center and Mildred Rogers schools for the past several years. No move will be made to appoint custodians for these two schools until more thought has been devoted to the subject, the TM said. Courtney reported that he had inspected the school, in the company of the School Building Committee during the evening of August 18th, and that he and the Building Inspector had inspected it on August 17th. He thought the job was very good.

## Vehicles

Courtney reported that he was a little disturbed over the bids received for the purchase by the town of a new police cruiser, and a car for the Welfare Department. Only 2 bids have been received. Mrs. Drew remarked that she had had calls from auto dealers that they could not understand the bids.

## Committees

The TM is thinking of the possibility of adding another dictating machine, for the use of committees who meet in the evening, and have correspondence to write afterwards. He is also considering the establishment of an Advisory Committee on Administrative Practices. The proposed Advisory Committee on Capitol Budgeting will probably be appointed within a week.

## Gravel Pits

Courtney reported talks, which he stated were "satisfactory" with several gravel pit owners during the past week. He had inspected the pit of Bob Evans, on Ballardvale street, during the past week.

## Fire Department

Courtney reported that he and the architect would inspect the fire station on Tuesday. Partial payment of the outstanding bill had been requested; he said, "but it is my intent not to make payment until satisfied." He reported that there was a major problem of drainage on a section of the roof, and that a "drain pipe should be in a place where it drains water." Also to be discussed Tuesday are Fire Department proposals for shorter hours and Civil Service status.

## Real Estate

Courtney reported that he is

"closely following" the situation involving the development of the Harriman Estate.

## Other Business

Selectman Black reported that he had had complaints about a fruit and vegetable stand, which had vegetable stands on the sidewalk, and was selling on Sunday without a license. He also reported having received complaints about heavy brush on Chestnut street.

## Van Steensburg Gravel Pit

Leo Van Steensburg, operator of a gravel pit off Salem street for 15 years paid a visit to the board, to discuss the gravel regulations. Van Steensburg reported that he would be unable to cover with loam, because all the loam had been taken, before he owned the pit, one instance being the removal by the town, for loam in the cemetery. A map, as required in the TM's letter, was impossible, too. It would cost over \$1000, and Van Steensburg argued that it wouldn't be worth anything afterwards. He also objected to the rule about control of trucks on the highways, saying that after he had sold gravel it was up to the operator of the truck, and the police department.

The \$10,000 bond was subject of another objection. He could understand why a bond should be required from an unknown individual but in his own case he had 15 years of reputable service.

Van Steensburg explained that his pit consisted of a series of sharp hills, with swamps between. He was levelling off, to a height above the grade of the Salem and Lowell railroad bed. He had a contract for storing 20,000 yards of sand, and couldn't allow loam to be spread for that would damage the sand. He hoped to get other contracts, and felt that loam spreading would be an imposition in the way of his business.

He finished by saying he had noted in the paper that the TM was hoping to be able to approach the town dump from the railroad bed, and that he was perfectly willing to give a right of way to the dump "but you don't want a right of way with loam on it."

Mr. Van Steensburg's points were well received by the Selectmen. TM Courtney agreed that a map of the type required for real estate developments should not be required for gravel pits, and stated that the idea was that there were asking for certain elevations, so as to control the eventual contour, and so that there would be something to work on when setting the grade. The TM made an appointment to inspect the pit, and talk further with Van Steensburg. Selectman Black suggested that Van Steensburg then make a formal application for a waiver of the provisions that he felt should be waived.

## License Applications

An application was received for a license to erect a larger sign on a store in Wilmington square. It was referred to the Building Inspector.

An application was received for a permit to operate a coffee, doughnut milk and sandwich shop, in the White building, in Wilmington

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TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
BOARD OF APPEALS

This Board will hold a public hearing in the Town Hall on Tuesday, August 31, 1954 at 7:30 p.m. on the petition of Edgar LeBlanc, 102 Lowell street for the right to operate a gift shop on his property at 120 Lowell street, Wilmington, Mass.

Howard C. Woolaver  
Acting Secretary

TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
BOARD OF APPEALS

This Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, August 31, 1954 at 8:00 p.m. on the petition of Mrs. Marie Connelly, Westdale avenue for the right to operate a children's clothing exchange from her home at Westdale avenue, Wilmington, Mass.

Howard C. Woolaver  
Acting Secretary

TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, August 31, 1954, at 8:30 p.m. on petition of Ricard Wolsey, corner of Ballardvale street and Andover street (former Hobart Spring residence) for the right to subdivide the property into 10,000 square foot lots instead of 22,500 foot lots as required under the present By-Laws.

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The bravest man in Wilmington was found over the weekend. It turned out to be Leo O'Connell, II, who was Mr. "X", Manager of the Mother's Club. Mr. O'Connell volunteered for a job that many of Wilmington's more prominent sportsmen had dodged—that of managing a bunch of ladies, in their annual game with the Minor League Champs of the Wilmington Little League.

The first few minutes were worst for Leo, as the ladies were deciding what he should do as their manager. After that they were mad at everybody else, the umpires, and Chuck Dolan, the manager of the Braves, so mad that they forgot all about Leo, and didn't pay any attention to him.

It was without doubt the most hilarious game of the year, and far better than the similar game of last year. Not only that, but it was the best attended game, after the opening of Little League, last May. The ladies really had two teams, for they totaled about 28 players, and Chuck Dolan protested more than once that some of the players were "ringers," being not mothers, but high school girls. His protests fell on deaf ears, for the umpires were apparently determined that the ladies should win. There were three umpires: Wes Baker, the Veep of Little League, Ed Bradley and George Spanos, the Mayor of Wilmington, who also was plate duster, and engaged in terminable arguments with John Amato, the cocky little catcher of the Braves. Amato was a complete show in himself, full of the type of spirit that wins ball games.

Other officials were present, such as "Doc" Quack Ouellette, who ministered to the ladies if they succeeded in reaching first. "Doc" had his instruments in a wheelbarrow, with a large red cross on the side of his transportation (?). When a lady succeeded in reaching first he most tenderly held her hand, took her pulse, and then sprayed her with a reviving perfume.

#### First Inning

David Deming and Kenneth Alley crossed the plate twice, for the Braves. Marilyn Farrell crossed for the ladies. The inning was over when Ed Bradley declared that Alice Weed was out twice at second. The Braves were thoroughly baffled by the pitched ball from Bea McCormack. Bea had an elaborate wind-up, followed by a very slow ball, which approached the batter about six feet over his head, and suddenly dropped to cross the plate fair, and be called a strike by the umpire.

#### Second Inning

Gertrude Amato pitching. Philip Kavanaugh was out at first. Robert Gage walked. Bill Williamson struck out. Freddy Kleynan hit a grounder, and Gage was forced out at second. Hazel Backman struck out.

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Rita Palino, dressed as an Engineman, Second Class, US Navy, struck out. Jean Ashworth, the ladies Catcher, approached the plate, and Chuck Dolan, Braves manager registered protests. She was allowed to play, and hit a hot three bagger, making home on an error. Bea McCormack, using a Kayak paddle for a bat, struck out.

#### Third Inning

Chuck Dolan, somehow, discovered that the ladies had a "brick" (dead) ball, which they were using when they were pitching. From this moment on Chuck's efforts were all towards getting possession of that ball. He had numerous conferences with the pitcher, and during each conference there was some clever ball passing between the two, but with little luck.

Kenneth Alley hit safely for first base, David Deming was struck by a pitched ball, but the umpire ruled him out. Chuck Dolan, Jr. hit a ball toward second base which was caught by Jean Waugh. Robert Peters hit safely but was forced out at second, when John Amato hit.

Marilyn Farrell made first on a fly ball. She was carried off by Doc Ouellette, who stretched her out on a cot near the powder table which had been set up for the ladies, and Jean Camber went in for as pinch runner. Dorothy Kerr made first safely, and then promptly stole second. Jean Waugh was tagged out at first, as Kerr made third, and then made home on a called balk. Alice Weed made first, Jean Camber hit safely, and both girls were sent scurrying for home when Helen Bradley hit a three bagger, and then stole home on an error. Hazel Backman hit a safe fly ball, and stole second. Rita Palino struck out, and while the catcher, ball in hand, was arguing with the umpire, Hazel Backman stole third. Then Jean Ashworth hit a homer, and Gertrude Amato struck out.

Chuck Dolan had a mass substitution in his team, calling in all his players except for cocky

little Johnny Amato, and sending eight men out in their place, all Little League coaches. Chuck, who pitched for an Army team during the war, took over the Mound. Not to be outdone Leo O'Connell sent Jean Ashworth for a pinch hitter. Chuck whizzed a few fast (and they were fast) drop balls past Jean, who looked at, but did not see them, and she finally walked on balls. The stands were in a pandemonium, with Manager O'Connell frantically protesting. It was noticeable that the men did a "William Shift", when Jean marched up to the plate. They have a lot of respect for the young lady's hitting ability. The inning ended at this point, seemingly because someone was out, but no one knew who.

John Ingalls went in as a

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**EMMA MURRAY SARGENT**

Mrs. Emma (Murray) Sargent, 81, died at her home on Woburn street last Wednesday evening, after a brief illness, and was buried in the family lot in Wildwood cemetery on Sunday. Funeral services were in charge of the Nichols Funeral home, with Rev. Stanley Cummings officiating.

Mrs. Sargent was a member of several well known families of Wilmington, and was a granddaughter of John S. Perry, for whom "Perry's Corner" was named, and who had a blacksmith shop on the corner (Woburn and Lowell street). Her father was James W. Murray, a Boston & Maine RR conductor, who had a store in the home, where she died, and later built the store on Perry's corner which he operated for many years, and his daughter after him.

Her grandfather was Hugh Murray, who moved to this town from Hill, N.H., and bought a farm on Woburn street. He was part-Indian, and fought in the Union Army during the Civil War.

Mrs. Sargent was a lifelong member of the Congregational Church, and very rarely missed attending services in that church. She was for many years the secretary of the Sunday School there and had a perfect attendance record. She was also one of the very few persons who had graduated from Wilmington High School twice. She graduated the first time in 1887, from what is now the Town Hall, when Wilmington had a two year high school course. She graduated the second time in 1891, from what is now the Center School, after a four year course had been instituted.

Mrs. Sargent's marriage to her late husband, Henry Wilson Sargent of Woburn street was an event in the social history of Wilmington. Mr. Sargent was a mechanic of extraordinary ability, who operated a bicycle shop in the "Darius Buck" home. He was a man who could fix anything, and was called "Henry-Penny" by the children of the town, a name which he disliked very much.

His late home is filled with various models that he made, including a very fine model of the Congregational Church, and a very fine ship model. His abilities as a workman were accompanied by a

very extraordinary system of collecting his pay. He insisted on being paid for any work immediately, even if he had to loan out the money for the payment!

Their marriage took place on Dec. 31, 1924, when they were both 51, and was attended by a large number of friends. Their honeymoon was spent in Nashua N.H., and it is supposed to have been the first time that Mr. Sargent ever travelled on a train.

Mrs. Sargent, to the day of her death always referred to Lowell street as "the new road". This road was built in 1856, and was so called during her youth. She also called the highway from Lowell street to Buck's Corner, where her husband had lived "the road to the City", because Buck's corner was so-called about the time of the Mexican War.

She is survived by her sister, Mrs. Edythe Symmes, and six cousins.

**MOTORCYCLIST INJURED AVOIDING DOG**

Harry Pettipas, 230 Bedford road, Woburn, suffered injuries on his right hand and arm,

when he tried to avoid a dog, on Burlington avenue, last Wednesday afternoon. Pettipas, who was riding a motorcycle, told the police that he drove off the road to avoid the dog, and was upset when the motorcycle got into sand. First aid for torn skin on his right hand, and burns and bruises along his arm and elbow was given by Lt. Cushing of the Fire Department. The motorcycle was damaged in the front fender.

**PETTY THIEVES RIFLE CAR**

Petty thieves, last Wednesday afternoon, stole a flashlight, a roll of pennies, and a quantity of wax valued at about \$2 from a car owned by Charles Kuthens, 1448 Andover street. The car was parked for the day at the Wilmington roundhouse.

**STONE THROWERS AT SILVER LAKE**

Wilmington police received two calls, within 10 minutes of each other, of boys throwing throwing stones through windows of homes in the Silver Lake district, on last Wednesday

evening. One of the calls was from a home on Burnay street, and the other from a home on Grove avenue. No one could be found by the police when they investigated.

**RUNAWAY BOY RETURNED TO BILLERICA**

A 12 year old boy, from Billerica, was turned over to the Wilmington police at 12:10 a.m. August 19th, after he had been found by Anthony Fazio, of 285 Main street, Wilmington. The boy had been found by Fazio thumbing a ride to Boston. He had been reported missing at 7 p.m. in Billerica, and was turned over to the Billerica police by Sgt. Sidelinker and Officer Fuller.

**BREAKS NEAR WILMINGTON SQUARE**

Wilmington police are investigating two breaks, that took place during the night of August 18 - 19, near Wilmington square. Unknown persons broke into the

Boston & Maine Roundhouse, and ransacked the place, and tried to remove a pane of glass from one of the windows, took all the stickers from the company trucks. Finger marks in coal dust indicate that it was the work of small boys. Sgt. Sidelinker and Officer Fuller are investigating.

**TWO BOYS ON PROBATION**

Two Wilmington boys were placed on probation until November 18th, by Judge William Henchey, of Woburn court, on August 19th, after they had entered guilty plea on charges of drunkenness. Both boys had been arrested by Officer Imbibo, when found at Silver Lake with the remains of a case of beer, and in an intoxicated condition.

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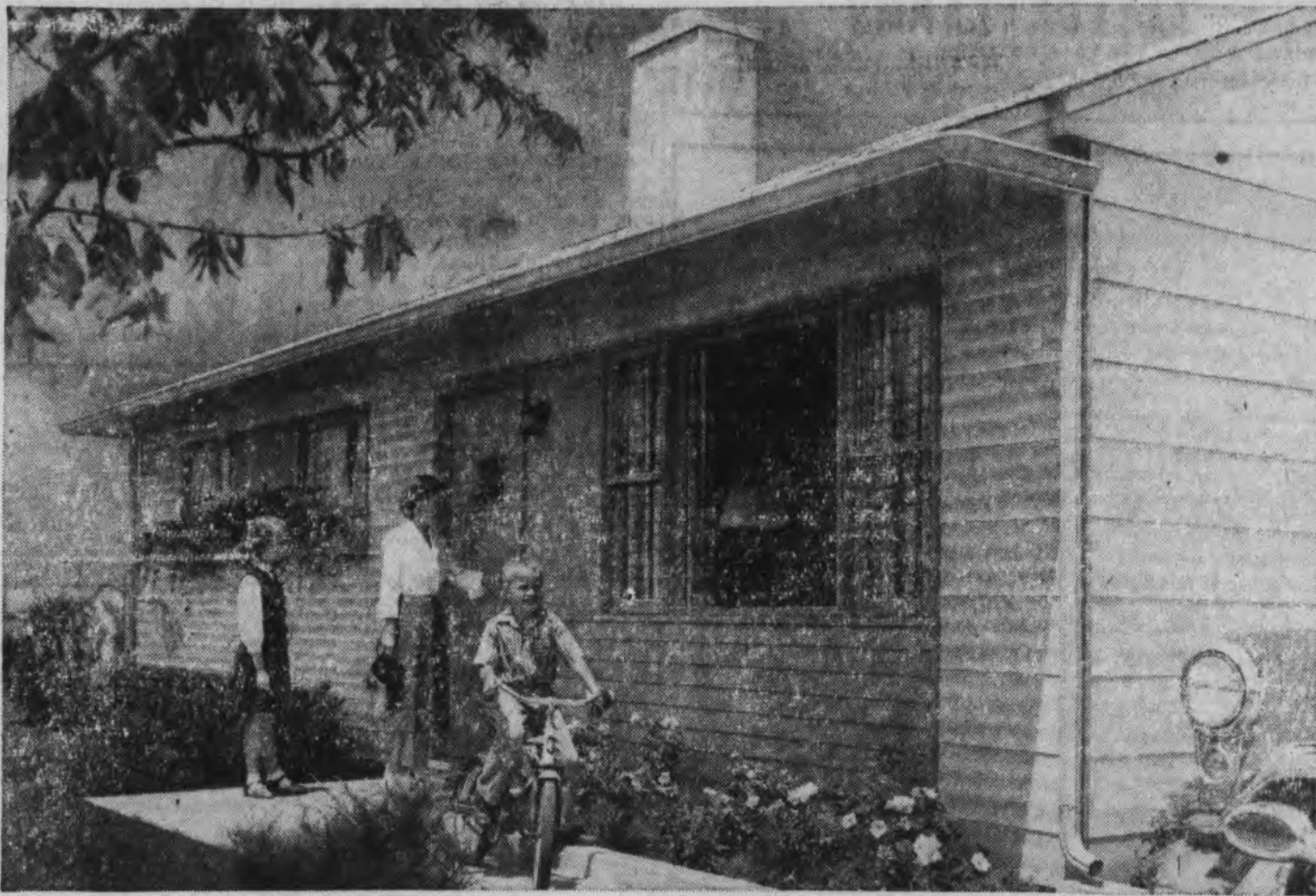
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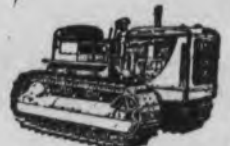
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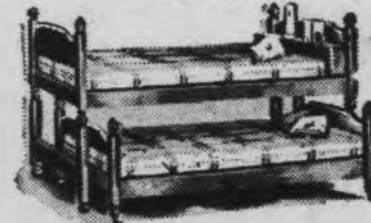
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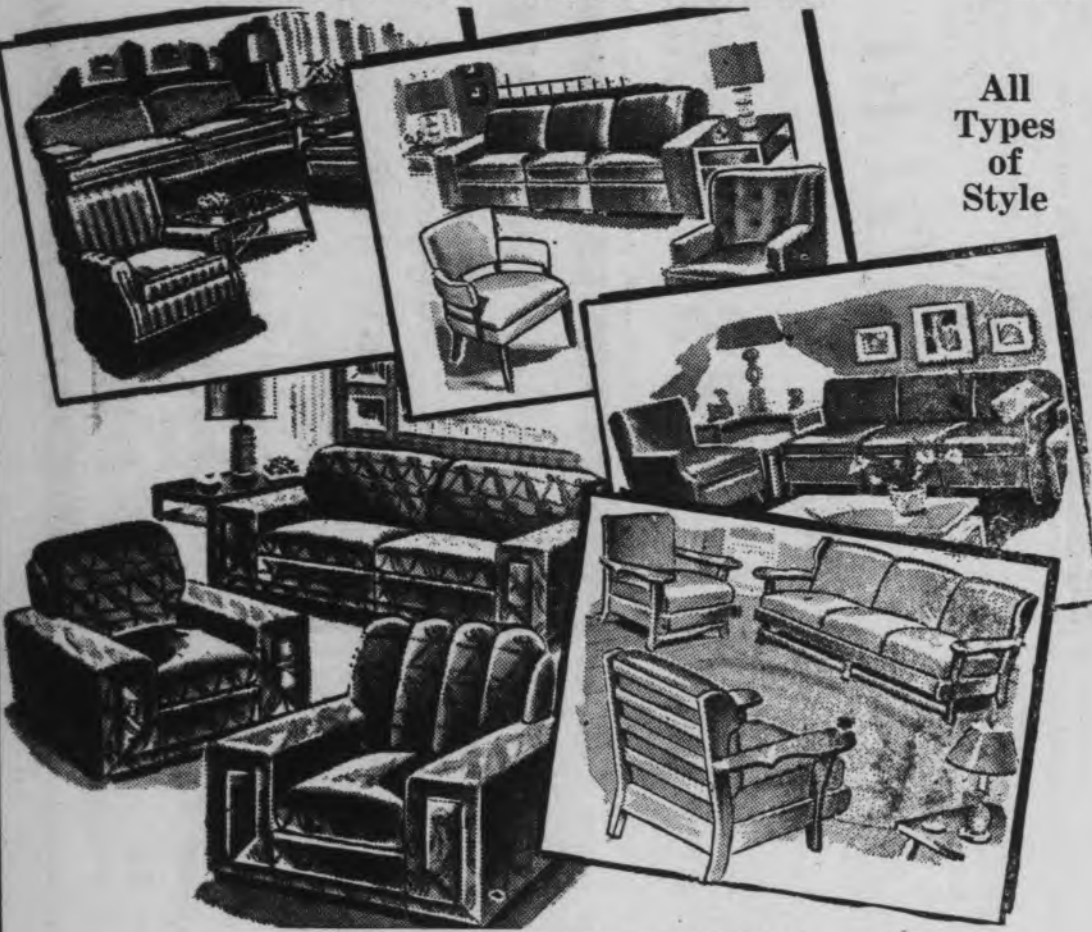
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### RECREATION COMMISSION NEWS

Regular playground activities sponsored by the Recreation Commission came to a close Friday afternoon following a weeks program highlighted by such events as: weenie roasts, doll carriage parades, bicycle parades, tournament play, talent shows, and games between the all-stars of the older boys recreation baseball league.

Many parents showed their appreciation of the program by their appearance at these events, and some have already indicated their



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hopes for a similar program for next year. In support of this children of the Hathaway Acres section of the town presented gifts to Miss Fareello, supervisor of the high school area, and her staff. Not to be outdone by this gesture the mothers of the Silver Lake area made a presentation to Miss Sharp of a gift for her splendid work.

Mr. Lawrence Cushing, Director of the Recreation program took many pictures of this years program and has stated that he will gladly show them for any groups in the town upon their requests. Mrs. Eileen Fuller, supervisor of the arts and crafts section of the program is making plans for a display of the childrens work. This will be shown in one of the stores in the center of the town during September.

Now that the playgrounds have come to a close, plans are being directed to the Swimming Area where Eddie Forrest is arranging a schedule of events for the Labor Day carnival.

Trophies will be awarded to winners in the main events and the runnersup will receive medals and other valuable gifts. As of now it is hoped to stage swimming events for all ages. This will be supported by foot-races, horseshoe pitching tournaments, bathing beauty contest, and a baby contest. When plans are completed this paper will carry a full outline of the events to be held. Silver Lake Beach will close for the season on Labor Day.

### SUSANNA HALE

"Aunt" Susanna Hale, who died last Wednesday afternoon was one of the oldest women in Wilmington, having been born in the McKittredge home, on Woburn street on Oct. 28, 1860. A very lively and imaginative woman, who never married, she was the daughter of a Civil War veteran, James Hale, and loved to recount her memories of the day he returned from the war, and of the returning next day of Hugh Murray, who lived across the street, and was the grandfather of Mrs. Emma Sargent who died on the same day as Aunt Susy.

Aunt Susy's geneology is a history of the Town of Wilmington. Her Great-Great-Great-Great-Great Grandfather was Richard Harnden,

the first white man to live in North-Wilmington, (1665) at a site that is now occupied by the building at 67 High street, and her Great-Great-Great-Great Grandmother (Richard's daughter-in-law) was killed by the Indians, on July 6, 1706. The only woman to survive this massacre was Abigail Harden, a teen age girl, who recovered from her wounds, and first married Jacob Nourse (whose mother had been executed as a Witch, in Salem) and later Daniel Eames. Daniel Eames was Susy's Great-Great-Great Grandfather, and he bought the Eames Farm, on Woburn street, opposite Wildwood, in 1724, from Ephraim Buck, who was Susy's Great Great Grandfather, and is famous in Wilmington folklore as being the person who shot the last bear in Wilmington, down near Wildwood street, on the other side of Maple Meadow Brook. Ephraim's son Nathan (Susy's Great Grandfather) was the first man in Wilmington to refuse to pay taxes to King George III, in 1772.

Another of Susy's ancestors was Capt. John Harden, who led a company of Wilmington Minute Men, on Lexington Day in 1775, while still another was Colonel Joshua Harden, of Revolutionary war fame, who built the huge house now owned by Dr. Rounds, at the corner of Salem and Woburn streets. Col. Joshua and Capt. John both married Corneal (or Carnell) girls, presumably sisters, and daughters of Peter Corneal, a Frenchman who owned a tavern about 1730, on the corner of Hopkins street, and Shawsheen avenue, where a stone house stands today. Still another ancestor of Susy's was Deacon James Thompson (her Great-Great-Great-Great Grandfather), who built the home on Main street, close to the Tewksbury line, probably about 1716. Deacon Thompson had a grist mill on Glen Road, at Lubbers Brook, where a brick house stands today, and was notable in his attendance at the Church of Christ (Congregational) in Woburn, which was the nearest church, and was seven miles away. Deacon Thompson attended church every Sunday, walking both ways, and considered himself late if he were not in church one hour before the Minister.

Susy's mother was Mary Ann Eames, the daughter of Nathan Eames and Mary Buck. She was born on the Richardson Farm and married "Jimmy" (James) Hale, a fighting two-fisted man who came down from New Hampshire in 1845, and helped to build the railroad from North Wilmington Junction to Boston. Jimmy Hale was a mason and blaster. He blasted rocks, and laid the foundation for what used to be called "Death Bridge", the bridge over the railroad, in Reading, on Lowell street, near the Wilmington line.

Tales of Jimmy survive to this day, - his feats of strength, for a small man, and his bravery.

Aunt Susy attended the East School, and her mother became housekeeper for Benjamin Buck, who lived in what is now the old-

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

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#### PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Alice M. Nichols of Wilmington in said County, an insane person.

The guardian of said Alice M. Nichols has presented to said Court for allowance her first account.

If you desire to object thereto to you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the thirteenth day of September 1955, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this thirtieth day of July in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

John J. Butler, Register.

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Aunt Susy was buried Sunday afternoon, in Wildwood cemetery, beside the body of her younger brother Orrin. Services were in charge of the Nichols Funeral Home, and the Services were conducted by the Rev. Stanley Cummings of the Congregational Church. 12 ministers had come and gone, in nearly 90 years in the Congregational Church from the time that Aunt Susy studied under Mr. Tolman, until the time when Mr. Cummings said the last prayer over her coffin.

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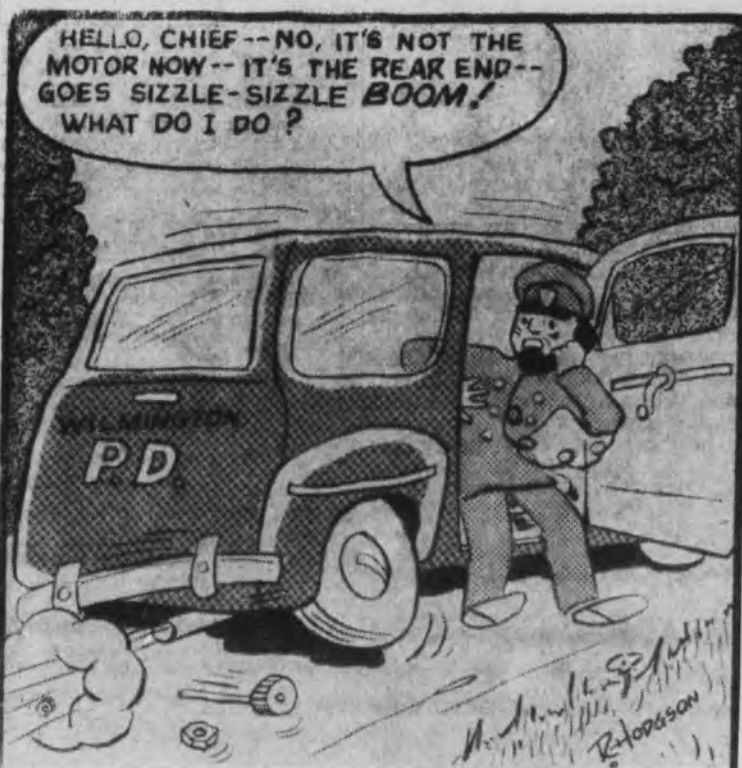
A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by **Ada Southern** of Wilmington in said County praying that she be appointed executrix thereof, without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifteenth day of September, 1954, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

John J. Butler, Register.  
A-18-25-S-1

(News Item: The Wilmington Police Cruiser has been returned to duty with a completely rebuilt engine).



THE RAMPARTS WE WATCH by Hodgson

essor, in which you report that he is highly thought of in the State House. Without doubt it is true, and we have an excellent public servant, but I am not happy about the manner of appointment. I feel that the people of Wilmington have cheated out a chance to apply for this job.

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The Board of Selectmen, I understand, want all official advertisements to appear in our local paper, so that the people can have a chance to know what is going on. They didn't get much of a chance this time.

Yours very truly,  
(name withheld by request).

(87A)  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
Middlesex, ss.

### PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the estate of **Charles J. Nichols** late of Wilmington in said County, deceased.

The administratrix of said estate has presented to said Court for allowance her first account.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the thirteenth day of September 1954, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twelfth day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

John J. Butler, Register.  
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### THIRTY STITCHES REQUIRED FOR DOG-BITE

Richard Whittredge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harland Whittredge was attacked by a dog on August 17th, who bit him severely along the leg. Thirty stitches were required in the Choate Memorial Hospital, in Woburn, to close the wounds.

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To all persons interested in the estate of **Augustus Detato** late of Wilmington in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale certain real estate of said deceased.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifteenth day of September 1954, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this ninth day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

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pinch hitter. O'Connell was wild, and demanded that Ingalls, who is a coach, should only be allowed to use his left hand. O'Connell also wanted to see Ingalls' birth certificate. The women were yelling "Poor Sport!" and other similar words. Chuck Dolan protested that Ingalls was a "Little League Father," and O'Connell wanted to know since

when, pointing out that Ingalls had never married. The umpire finally ruled Ingalls off the plate.

Kavanaugh struck out, and Gage hit a three bagger. Robert Burns made a safe hit, as did Freddy Kleynan. David Deming was walked, and young Chuck Dolan hit a homer, clearing the bases. O'Connell protested that Dolan didn't touch third base, and the umpire settled the argument by sending Dolan back to second, as O'Connell was calling in his team. The game resumed, but only to run into another impasse, as Coach Dolan accused the umpire of not keeping the scoring straight.

In order to keep Dolan happy, Bradley told him the score was 7 to 7 (it was 8 to 6 in the ladies favor.)

In the last of the fourth Dolan let all his team on the field, even Jimmy Corum, who had broken his right clavicle last month. Jimmy wanted to play in the worst way. O'Connell was immediately on his feet, protesting that 14 men couldn't play at one time, and Dolan called in Corum, reducing his team to 13, which satisfied O'Connell. Later, Dolan reduced the team to 11 men, so as to "give the ladies a fighting chance," as he put it.

Florence Peters made first base on a dropped foul ball. Connie Phillips took her stance, holding the bat with a short grip. She swung powerfully, and hit a one bagger to center field. Mildred Dolan bunted, filling the bases. Gladys Arsenault hit safely, as did Dorothy Kerr, and then Barbara Sell struck out. Ruth Howell came up, a southpaw, and hit a terrific line drive, which struck the pitcher's arm. He recovered, threw it to first.

First swung the ball to home, to put out Gertrude Dolan. The umpire declared "four outs," and the irrespressible Johnny Amato, catcher, piped up with "Save one for next inning!"

## Fifth Inning

Sluggo Amato up. He was wearing a pin in his cap, "Boston Marine Worker's Union," as he swung and knocked the ball clear over to the Roman House lawn. Sluggo trotted around the bases, with an easy homer in sight. The umpire sent him back to second, just because. Kavanaugh hit safely, and Gage was hit by a pitched ball, with both Amato and Kavanaugh crossing the plate. Steve Hansen struck out. Alley struck out, and Kleynan was out at first, ending the first half.

In the second half the Braves finally got the "Brick" into play. They succeeded in doing this during some horseplay, and the ladies did not realize that their trick had backfired. McFeeters went in as catcher, and Amato went to third base. Gertrude Amato was out at first. Florence Peters walked, and Connie Phillips hit a one bagger. Hazel Backman was out at first, as Peters made home. Jean Camber made first by an error, and Amato shifted to the pitching box. His balls were very high, but Dorothy Bradley hit the ball, using her bat in tennis racket style. She was put out at first.

## Sixth Inning

The sixth inning opened with the Mothers 10—Braves 8. The Braves were up first. Rita Palino pitching.

William Burns was out at first. Robert Peters was hit by a pitched ball, and Kleynan walked. McFeeters got to the bat, but found all the balls going high over his head. He finally swung at one, tennis fashion, muttering, "Got to swing at something." He hit two fouls to the left, in this manner, and finally bunted, making second on an error. Johnny Amato then struck a two bagger, and stole 3rd during an argument between the umpire and the catcher. The umpire sent him back to second, after O'Connell started to call the girls in. Kavanaugh hit safely, followed by Alley, but Amato was tagged out at third base. The Braves had made four runs, making the score Braves—12 — Mothers—10. Chuck Dolan loaded his boys into cars, and drove off saying—"We've got to win somehow!"

## METHODIST YOUTH OFFICERS TO ATTEND TRAINING SCHOOL

Seven officers of the Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Wilmington Methodist Church will attend the annual Officers Training School to be held at the Conference Youth Center in No. Andover, from August 27 through September 2. Those attending will be, Miss Ann Fiske, President of the Local group, Beverly-Bennett, Vice President, Dorothy Beardon, Secretary, Barbara Cole, Treasurer, Beverly Cole, Chairman of Christian Faith, Neil Byam, Chairman of Christian Citizenship and Ronald Lyman, Chairman of Christian Fellowship. Mr. and Mrs. William Campbell of the church will serve on the staff with their pastor the Rev. Richard E. Harding, New England Conference

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Director of Youth Work for the Methodist Church, who will serve as dean of the training school.

Miss Joanne Sanborn, a sub-district officer of the MYF will attend the Boston Area Training School at Camp Aldersgate with the Rev. Jack Tuell of the South Tewksbury Methodist Church who is to be the New England Conference staff representative at this school.

## Ham and Bean Supper

At Home of Mrs. L. Sutton's  
A ham and bean supper will be served at the home of Mrs. Lavina Sutton on Boutwell street, on Saturday, August 28 at 6 p.m. Reservations may be made with Mrs. Sutton during the week, or supper will be served to those who come on Saturday evening without reservations.

## BREAK ON FAIRMEADOW ROAD

Petty thieves stole a wheelbarrow, valued at \$28 from a home under construction on Fairmeadow road, on August 21. Don Rossi told the Wilmington police that the wheelbarrow had been locked up.

## ICE BOXES BELONG INSIDE

Investigating a call from neighbors, Officers Cuoco and Kelley found an old fashioned ice box outside an unoccupied building, on August 22nd. The ice box was complete, and door locking devices were still attached. The officers had the owner of the ice box put it inside the building.



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## CONTEST AT NO. READING

The freckle-faced contest was held last Sunday evening at the North Reading Drive-In Theatre and the winners were all North

Reading residents. Looks like the Billerica and Wilmington boys and girls haven't enough freckles.

This Sunday, August 29th, a

doll carriage contest will be held for all the young ladies and the boys can enter the cart parade. It looks like a lot of fun for everyone.

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## Corn Roast August 28

The Couples Club of the Congregational Church will hold a corn roast on Saturday, August 28, at 6 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Deming on Federal street. Tickets are 75 cents each, or \$1.50 per couple. In case of rain, the corn roast will be held the following day, August 29 at the same time and place.

## Open House Planned at Kindergarten

The Brookside Kindergarten, located at 403 Woburn street (in the former Aldis Eames house) will hold open-house on Sunday, September 13 from 2 to 4 p.m. The public is cordially invited. The kindergarten, under the direction of Mrs. Robert McCabe and Mrs. Edward Rice, will open its first season on Monday, September 14. Parents and children are invited to come and see the attractive kindergarten, meet the parents of children now enrolled and acquaint themselves with the school's program for the coming year, which will include folk dancing and professional instruction in painting and drawing, along with a variety of other subjects to meet the interests of all children between the ages of 4 and 6. A few vacancies remain, although enrollments are increasing every day. For further information, call Oliver 8-2985.

## Moves Into New Home

Mrs. Madeline Higginsbotham has moved into her new ranch house at 21 Adams street.

## The Lucky Winner

Winner of the beautiful 4-piece cordovan cherry bedroom set, which was given away by the Coronet Furniture Shop in No. Reading in a drawing held last Saturday, was Wayne Dion of Fordham road, Lawrence. The Coronet Furniture store opened a week ago today, and we were among the hundreds of visitors who turned out to visit the store and "browse around." The store is tastefully decorated with quality furniture and seems to specialize in modern pieces. The lamps are particularly handsome, one-of-a-kind variety, ranging in price from \$10 to \$60 each. If you like the unusual in accessories, you'll like Coronet's selection.

## Horseshow and Gymkhana Huge Success

The 4-H Mounties put on a really spectacular horseshow and Gymkhana last Saturday afternoon on the former Harriman estate. A large crowd was in attendance and the weather was ideal for such an event. The horseshow started the day's activities with the Gymkhana following. (Gymkhana, incidentally,

is an Anglo-Indian word meaning an athletic meet, especially for racing).

Four classes comprised the horseshow and the winners in each class are as follows:

## CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST:

Open to those who received blue ribbons in the first two classes (Fitting and Showmanship contests). The championship was judged on the fitness of the horse and the showmanship of the exhibitor. Winner was Gail Pearson of Littleton, who won an 8 by 10 photograph of herself with her horse, donated by George Webster. Second, third and fourth winners were: Mary Hartnett, Karen Walden and Sandra Dupras, all of Wilmington.

## PLEASURE HORSE CONTEST

Judged on English and Western types of riding. Western winners were: Tim Roundtree of North Reading who won first prize, a pair of western reins; Gail Pearson of Littleton (2nd); Edward Fuller of North Reading (3rd); Marciana Stayman of Wilmington (4th) and Catherine Lucia of Billerica, (5th).

English winners were: Joyce Corum of Wilmington who won first prize of an English saddle pad; Joan Turner of North Reading, (2nd); Sandra Dupras, Wilmington (3rd); Mary Hartnett of Wilmington (4th); and Louise Proctor of North Reading (5th).

COLT DEMONSTRATION and TRAINING was won by Joyce Dupras and Betty Larson, all of Wilmington. Each was awarded a blue ribbon.

SACK RACE winners were: Gail Pearson, who won first prize of a halter, Audrey Kimball (2nd); Ernest Baldwin (3rd) and Lillian Bagley (4th), all of Wilmington.

WATER RACE winners were: Gail Pearson, who won first prize of a water bucket; Betty De Mar of Reading (2nd); Lillian Bagley of Wilmington (3rd) and Herbert Jones of North Reading (4th).

RESCUE RACE winners were: Marciana Stayman who won first prize of a pair of reins, Douglas Burhoe of Reading (2nd); Tim Roundtree of North Reading (3rd) and Phyllis Kimball of Wilmington (4th).

MUSICAL STALLS (age 13 and under) winners were: Donna Dupras, who won a horse statue as first prize, Buddy Otis (2nd), Richard Goodwin (3rd) and Betty Larson (4th) all of Wilmington.

COSTUME PARADE winners were: Mary Hartnett who won an English saddle pad as first prize for the most attractive costume. Mary was dressed as a knight in shining armor and even her horse was garbed as a charger in the days of King Arthur. James Corum won a curb chain for the most original costume. He was gotten up as a gorilla, to the vast amusement of the crowd. Other winners in both classes were: Joan Nims, Esther Corum, Bonnie Coombs, Nancy Allen, Karen Walden, all of Wilmington, and Joan Turner of North Reading.

OBSTACLE RACE winners were: Gail Pearson of Littleton who won a riding crop as first prize; Jimmy Gaygan (2nd); Douglas Burhoe (3rd) both of North Reading, and Ernest Baldwin (4th) of Wilmington.

BALLOON RACE winners were: Douglas Burhoe who won first prize of a harness holder; Ed Fuller (2nd); Marciana Stayman (3rd); and Henry Clark (4th).

BEST TRAINED HORSE winners were: Karen Walden of Wilmington won first prize of a harness holder; Sandra Dupras (2nd); Tim Roundtree (3rd) and Gail Pearson (4th).

MUSICAL CHAIRS (14 and over) winners were: Douglas Burhoe who won a saddle pad as first prize; Virginia Merrill of Reading (2nd); Audrey Kimball of Wilmington (3rd) and Joan Turner, North Reading (4th).

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## SELECTMEN'S MEETING

(continued from Page 4)

Square. The proposed business will be known as "Wilmington Country Style Doughnuts." It was referred to the Sanitarian, Board of Health and Building Inspector.

An application was received from a West Wilmington man for a license to peddle food. It was referred to the Town Manager for more information.

## License

A license was granted to Anthony Signore, for a six month period, to store 300 gallons of gasoline on the Harriman estate.

## Roosevelt Road

A long time was spent discussing Roosevelt road, with Mr. Coe and Mr. Lawson, of Parker street. The two gentlemen were much upset because the street had been accepted since 1945, and nothing done. The discussion involved blasting of ledges, and filling holes, which TM Courtney reported the Supt. of Streets as estimating \$3500 to \$5000 to accomplish.

TM Courtney told Messrs Coe and Lawson that "we will gravel as far as we can, before October 1st, and then see what remains to be done from there." The TM asked Bliss, who is a Civil Engineer, to accompany him on a trip to Roosevelt road, for purposes of inspection. Bliss told the two men "you won't get the run-around."

## Bonds not signed

The bonds for the purchase of the barrows land for the Water Department are in the Town Hall, but were not signed because the chairman of the board was not present.

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**CLIFF AND THE CAMERA**

Superintendent of Schools Clifford Good and Mrs. Good admire the camera presented to Mr. Good at a testimonial dinner, in the High School cafeteria Saturday night. To the left, presenting the camera is Nick DeFelice, and to the right is Harold Driscoll, Toastmaster.

**PRISONERS WALLOP RAMBLERS 10-3**

The Wilmington Ramblers (Dem Bums) took a trip to Norfolk prison on August 8th, to take a drubbing from the hands of the prisoners, on the colony field. "It wuz awful," moaned Coach Ethier, "dem prisoners was even stealing the bases!"

The trip was designateg to spread cheer and good will

among the less fortunate, but by the time the Norfolk boys were through with Dem Bums, they were in need of a little cheer and good-will themselves. The final score was 10-3.

The Chief Obstacles, for the Ramblers was the Norfolk pitcher, a gentleman by the name of Fields. "The way he was pitching he could pitch all day, and get stronger as he went along,"

moans the coach. "However, it was a fine trip for the boys, and they enjoyed the sights within the walls."

**MARBLEHEAD DEFEATS RAMBLERS**

The Wilmington Ramblers (Dem Bums), in their return game with Marblehead again met defeat, but this time the return trip home was only from the Wilmington Town Memorial Park. The game, on August 17th, saw the Ramblers lose 7 to 3.

Johnson, Marblehead's pitcher is Captain-elect of the Holy Cross team, and he pitched an excellent game. Good support from the fielders helped the Marblehead team in their victory.

Marblehead scored five runs in the first inning, on a costly error by Jimmy Tighe.

**CHRISTINE SWENSEN, O.T.R. TO WED KEITH C. NELSON**

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Swensen of 19 Adams street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Christine, to Keith S. Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Nelson of 175 Woburn street, North Wilmington.

Both graduated from Wilmington High school.

Miss Swenson is a graduate of the Boston School of Occupational Therapy and Tufts College. She is employed as Chief of Occupational Therapy at Veterans Administration Hospital, Togus, Maine.

Mr. Nelson is a graduate of Wentworth Institute and is attending the Boston Architectural Center. He is associated with the architectural office of Albert M. Kreider in Newtonville. No date has been set for the wedding.



(Polaroid One Minute Photo by Crusader)

**"OUR MANAGER" GETS HIS INSTRUCTIONS**

The ladies of the Mother's Baseball Team give last minute instructions to their manager, Leo O'Connell, before the game on Wilmington Common, Sunday. Mr. O'Connell turned out to be the mysterious Mr. "X" who braved all by being the manager of the ladies team. The lady who is "giving the lip" is Mrs. Marilyn Farrell of Woburn street.

**VFW COMMANDER COMMANDS LOYALTY DAY**

Commander John Madigan of the Nee Ellsworth Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars has announced the post's pleasure in learning that the House of Representatives has adopted a resolution designating the 1st of May, 1955 as Loyalty Day. The resolution would set aside the First of May of each year as a "special day for the reaffirmation of loyalty to the United States and for recognition by appropriate ceremonies of the heritage of freedom."

The Massachusetts Veterans of Foreign Wars, through the Ladies Auxiliary, have recognized the First of May as Loyalty Day for the past 28 years, with appropriate ceremonies on Boston Common each year. It is hoped that the action of Con-

gress will be successful and such action will convey to more people in the nation the lesson in loyalty which the Ladies Auxiliary have been so industriously attempting to convey to the general public.

**BILLY GOOD BREAKS ARM SECOND TIME**

Little Billy Good, five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Good has his right arm in a cast for the second time in an eight week period. Billy fell from a stand on the common, about 8 weeks ago, and broke his arm. After recovery he went to Cape Cod with his parents, and fell a second time, severely injuring himself with a complete fracture. His arm is again in a cast, and the doctor said Billy was a lucky boy because he was able to avoid an operation.

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## THE SECOND FIGHT JINX

Ever since the early days of the Roman empire, the sport of boxing has been a popular form of entertainment for millions of people all over the world. There are seven different classes of boxers, starting at 105 pounds right up to 200 or more, the most popular of the seven is without a doubt the heavy-weights. Most people would rather see a couple of big men stand toe to toe and slug each other silly, with intent to kill, rather than see two small men peck and jab each other in a skillful boxing exhibition. The plot of this little chit-chat is not to discuss boxing, and why people prefer one class of fighter to another, but to ask a question that has probably bothered some fight fans for a number of years, namely: Why is it a fighter can put up such a terrific battle in one fight, and in the second, get his ears batted off. Take the first Conn Louis fight a few years back. Before this fight many experts didn't think that Billy Conn had a ghost of a chance of even putting up a half decent scrap, but Billy fooled everyone by going to work and pushing the mighty Louis all over the ring. He outboxed, outjabbed, and ran circles all around Louis, and many experts claimed he had the match in the bag until the fateful 12th round when he decided to try and slug with Joe, and we all know the fateful finish to that one. Naturally Billy got a rematch with the champ, and it was thought that this would be the "Fight of the Century" but in this one Conn didn't have the special something he had in the first fight, and after six rounds of moping, jabbing, and clinching, the Brown Bomber finally tagged him in the 7th, and Conn woke up a short time later to find that Louis was still the champ. Why is this? Or for instance take the first fight between the old man Walcott and Louis. We all know that the old man put up a terrific scrap, by outboxing Louis, and even knocking him kicking in the 7th round. Jersey Joe was still around at the finish, still looking fresh as a daisy and full of pep. Nine out of ten fans either listening to the fight on radio, or watching it at the Garden felt sure that the mighty Louis had finally been whipped, but when the decision was announced it went to Louis. The decision was unpopular with fans all over the country, and a rematch was soon arranged for it. In the second fight Jersey Joe just didn't have the steam and enthusiasm he had in the first fight, and after a few dull rounds, Joe Louis put him to sleep. Last but not least take the Marciano Walcott fights. In the first Walcott gave the champ a pretty rough time, by outboxing him, cutting

him, and to further add insult to injury, knocked him flat on his back for a seven count in the first round. Jersey Joe kept up this torrid pace for 12 solid rounds. He seemed to have Marciano baffled by pecking, jabbing, bobbing, weaving, slugging, clinching, running, wriggling, and in general making it very uncomfortable for Marciano. But Marciano by having the strength to a bull, and the endurance of ten men, finally caught up with his antagonist in the 13th and with a couple of well placed clouts, knocked Joe into oblivion. However, in the second encounter, somebody put the "Whammy" on old Joe, and in the first round, after some shuffling around by both men, Marciano hit Joe with a punch that didn't appear to amount to anything, and Joe sat down on his lower posterior, and stayed there, while the referee tolled off the fateful count. This second fight jinx also plagues other fighters in the various weight divisions. None of the boxing experts can guess the answer to this baffling question, and the fighters themselves can't explain it, but there is a reason for everything, so see if you can figure it. Many people think that Ezzard Charles will give Marciano a rough time of it in the second battle in September, due to the tremendous surprise he gave everyone by going the distance with the champ in the last one, and almost winning it. This individual predicts that Ezzard Charles will also become a victim of the second chance jinx, and that the champ will beat him easily, by a knockout within ten rounds or less. Wait and see. . .

RAMBLERS DEFEAT  
THE TIGERS  
IN A SQUEAKER

The Wilmington Ramblers, (Wilmington's Pride and Joy) have finally beaten the Burlington Tigers. Twice before they have measured their bats with the ferocious Burlingtonites, and twice before they have bitten the dust in ignominious defeat, but on August 15th all was forgiven! The Ramblers squeaked through with a three to two victory at the Wilmington Town Park, and once again there is joy in Wilmington.

It was a tight game all the way. Al Ethier was in his top form as he surveyed the field from the pitcher's mound, and Gibbs, pitching for the Tigers, played his usual very fine game.

The Ramblers scored their first run when De Piano singled stole second, and made home on an error by Gelineau. The last two runs were scored on a double by Ethier, a single by Hoban, a steal by Hoban, and a timely single by McCarthy.

Tex Johnson, Red Cross life-guard at Silver Lake Beach, scored the first run for the Tigers, with a mighty homer, which, incidentally is one of his specialties, the other being two-baggers. It was possibly the longest ball ever hit at the Town Park, going over the second-baseman's head and landing in the middle of the railroad tracks.

A rally by the Tigers in the 9th inning fell short of winning the game, when the tying run was cut down for the third out at home plate.

The Ramblers are having either a game or a practice session at the Town Park nearly every Saturday. A trip down there is worth the time of any Wilmington sportsman, even if it is just to see De Piano use his all-thumbs fielding glove.

## ROBBERY AT GILDART'S

A fishing reel, valued at \$27.50 and the cash contents of the "Coke" machine were stolen during the night of August 19 - 20, from the Gildart garage, on Main street, by someone who entered the building by removing a pane of window glass. Sgt. Sidelink and Officer John Cuoco are investigating.

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THREE WAY ACCIDENT  
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Five persons apparently suffered injuries, in a three-car accident on Main street, opposite the Shoe Craft shop, at 7:07 p.m. August 22nd. According to Wilmington police, two of the cars were parked, and a third car, going south, struck them.

Injured in a car operated by Frank A. Tomasunas, 315 Pearl street, Hartford, Conn. were Barbara Tomasunas, 68; Ignatz Tomasunas, 38; both of Columbia street, Cambridge, who suffered bruises and were shaken up, and John A. Rudis, 67, 16 King street, Belmont, who complained of a sore chest.

Possibly injured in a car operated by Albert J. Rigolini, 233 Russell street, Everett, was his four-year old daughter, Elaine. Other passengers in the car were his wife, Claire, 28, and son Albert, 15 months old, neither of whom were apparently injured.

George R. LaChapelle, 41 Roundy street, Beverly, operator of the third car suffered a slight concussion of his head, and Virginia M. LaChapelle, 29, a passenger suffered a knee bruise. The third person in the car, Yvonne M. LaChapelle, 6, apparently escaped any injury.

Officers Dolan and Ellsworth responded to an accident call, and investigated.

AGED MAN RESCUED BY  
RESCUSITATOR

Gamamial Washburn, 85, of Andover Street, a recluse who lives in a home quite far removed from others is in St. John's Hospital, in Lowell, still alive thanks to an alert neighbor, and the Wilmington Police and Fire Departments.

The neighbor called the police department last Saturday afternoon and reported that she believed something was wrong at the Washburn home. Officer Kelley investigated, and found Washburn on the floor in the dining room in a very weak condition. He called via the police radio for assistance, and the Fire Department ambulance, with Firemen Dewhurst and Ellis responded. Washburn was revived by the rescuator, and then taken to St. John's Hospital.

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### FRIDAY CAME ON TUESDAY THIS WEEK

There are no more fish left in Silver Lake. A Massachusetts Department of Conservation crew, working under the direction of James Shepard, of Acton has removed every fish from the lake. Work finished this afternoon.

An overwhelming percentage of yellow perch was found by the crew who cleaned the lake, preparatory to restocking with game fish. Most of the perch were small in size, 5 or 6 inches, with a very few of them being 7 inches in length. Second fish in ratio were pumpkinseeds, and both of these species are termed "pan fish", which were utilizing all the food, giving the "game fish" nothing to live on.

A few small mouthed bass were found, but the overpopulation of perch had kept these from propagating. They were introduced to the lake about five years ago, and the largest found was estimated to be five years old. The largest small mouth found by the crew weighed in at 3.9 pounds, and was 20 inches in length.

Over 1000 pounds of yellow perch were taken from the water, up to Tuesday afternoon at 4 p.m. Approximate figures in pounds for Tuesday's catch were yellow perch, 600; pumpkinseeds, 150; golden shiners, 100; eels, 50; suckers, 50; small mouth bass, 20; small pickerel, 40; and black crappie, popularly known as calico bass, 25. One gold fish was found, evidently introduced into the water by an amateur ichthyologist. To the surprise of the crew very few hornpout were found. The suckers which were found averaged one half pound.

The fish were killed by introducing rotenone into the water, one half part per million. Rotenone has the peculiar quality of "covering" gills of aquatic animals and thus smothering them to death, when they can get no more oxygen. Turtles, and all warm blooded animals are not effected in any way by rotenone, and such water is not only safe for swimming, but can be drunk in large quantities without harm.

The rotenone will continue to be "toxic" to fish for about two weeks, so that any fish that has escaped the effects so far has little chance of surviving. The temperature of the water was found to be 75 degrees F.

The crew did not get all the fish however, for many Wilmingtonites and others reaped a harvest during Monday and

Tuesday and many families dined on fish Tuesday. Boats were on the lake all Monday night, catching fish as they rose to the surface, and others wandered along the lake shore, with the same purpose in mind. Those who roamed on the beaches were most successful. Reports of course are not to be accepted without question, but it was stated that one individual left the lake Monday night with a barrell full of the calico bass. Also reported were several eels over 30 inches in length, a pickerel of 26 inches, and a number of calico bass of over one pound, which exceeded those found by the crew. The largest pickerel found by the crew was 24 inches in length.

The fish that were picked up by the crew were sorted for type, and a percentage taken for laboratory examinations. The rest will be sold to a Tewksbury farmer. Included in the laboratory examinations, for instance, will be an examination of the scales, to determine the age of the fish. (Fish scales have "rings" in the same manner as trees).

The crew had a group of enthusiastic helpers from the Wilmington police department, when several of the police officers, off duty, came down to help. The help was much appreciated. Tribute was also paid to the Rainbow Fish & Gun Club, for their help.

Either this fall, or next spring, there will be a wholesale "planting" of fish in Silver Lake. 15 to 20 thousand fingerlings will be introduced of either small mouth or large mouth bass, and some golden shiners for forage fish. It is expected that the bass will be suitable for sport fishing in about two years.

Mr. Shepard warned specifically against letting other fish get into the lake, and thus destroy the population balance that is planned. Yellow perch will probably eventually find their way into the lake from Lubber's Brook, and eels will travel overland to the lake, but it is hoped that no live bait of any kind will be used in the lake, and that no misguided person will attempt to introduce other fish, such as the goldfish which was found.

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